Fishery Management Council Actions Fishery Management Council Actions Problem Identification, Prepare Options Paper, Scoping, and Public Input Council Reviews Public Input, Approves Alternatives to include in Public Hearing Document (Sometimes selects Preferred Alternative) Prepare Public Hearing Document Preliminary Analysis of Alternatives, Public Hearing EA or DEIS available for Public Comment Council Reviews Public Comment, Selects Preferred Alternative and Approves Document for Sec. Review If Preliminary Analysis Indicates No Significant Impact If Rule is Controversial If Preliminary Analsyis Indicates Significant Impact (or yields "inconclusive factual basis" for such impact Initial Regulatory Flexibility Act Analysis Recommend Certification Council Submits Final Package for Secretarial Review Regional Administrator Reviews Regulatory Package Transmit Issues Advisory to F/SF Transmit Regulatory Package to F/SF Formal review Process Begins 30 Days Cooling off Period Begins if FEIS submitted Notice of Availability Published in FR if necessary Initial OMB Clearance Publication of Proposed Rule in Federal Register Notify Small Business Administration Public Comment Period If No IRFA was Required If IRFA was prepared Recommend Certification (due to new information) Prepare FRFA Publish Final Rule